

Guide to Grants

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Proudly Representing Alabama's 7th Congressional District



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Welcome to the Guide to Grants!

I am honored to represent the 7th Congressional District of Alabama. One of the most important responsibilities as your representative is to provide you with information about funding opportunities. Now more than ever, grant opportunities are vital to the success of our local governments, organizations and other entities. This weekly guide will identify federal and foundation grant opportunities to assist you in goals for our communities. This Guide will include links to grant writing resources to help you make your proposals more successful. This Guide will also describe new funding opportunities for economic development, infrastructure, healthcare and educational projects as example. In addition, I am pleased to provide a Letter of Support for grant application projects in the 7th Congressional District of Alabama. Please let us know when grants are awarded, especially if you found the opportunities in the *Guide to Grants*.

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I write to invite you to our Workforce Development Initiative: Project R.E.A.D.Y. – 'Realizing Every One's Ability to Development Yourself' event at Lawson State Community College in Birmingham. Our office started this new workforce training initiative to help prepare our constituents for the 21st Century workforce. The goal of Project R.E.A.D.Y is to facilitate employment in Alabama's 7th Congressional District by promoting public/private partnerships, job readiness, skills training and career development through a series of educational workshops.

If you are interested in finding out more about this career development event or wish to register to attend, please see the details below or visit my website www.sewell.house.gov.

Project R.E.A.D.Y. at Lawson State Community College

When: Saturday, February 2, 2013

Time: 8:00AM - 12:30PM

Where: Lawson State Community College, Alabama Advanced Technology and Training

Building

Address: 3060 Wilson Road Southwest, Birmingham, AL 35221

YOU MUST PRE-REGISTER TO ATTEND

Please visit www.sewell.house.gov or call 205.254.1960

No on-site registration will be available

It's an honor to represent you in Congress, and I hope to see at our event in February.

Sincerely yours,

TERRI A. SEWELL Member of Congress

Congresswoman Sewell and Congressman Bachus Introduce H.R. 360 to Bestow the Congressional Gold Medal to Those Who Lost Their Lives in the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church Bombing

January 23, 2013

Washington, DC — Today, Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (AL-07) and Congressman Spencer Bachus (AL-06) introduced H.R. 360 to request the United States Congress to bestow its highest civilian honor—the Congressional Gold Medal—to Addie Mae Collins, Cynthia Wesley, Carole Robertson, and Denise McNair who tragically lost their lives during the 16th Street Baptist Church bombing in 1963. The purpose of this congressional effort is to recognize during this year of 50th commemoration, the significant role the City of Birmingham played in the Civil Rights Movement which changed this nation and impacted the world.

"I am honored to introduce this legislation with my colleague Congressman Spencer Bachus today. While there are many individuals and events rightfully worthy of recognition for the sacrifices made to the Civil Rights Movement, the selection of those who lost their lives in the bombing of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church was the most symbolic event associated with the Civil Rights Movement in Birmingham. The four little girls are emblematic of so many who have lost their lives for the cause of freedom: Medgar Evers, Emmett Till, Jimmie Lee Jackson, James Chaney, Andrew Goodman and Michael Schwerner as well as Virgil Ware and James Johnny Robinson who were killed within hours of the church bombing. Over the course of this year 2013, as we commemorate Birmingham's role in history, we must make every effort to remember and recognize not just these four little girls but all those who have suffered and sacrificed so that Birmingham, Alabama and this nation could uphold its ideals of equality and justice for all," said Rep. Sewell.

Congressman Bachus added, "It is important to reflect, especially for each new generation, how an act of evil that killed four innocent young girls at the 16th Street Baptist Church jarred the conscience of the American people and led to permanent change in our society. The presentation

of a Congressional Gold Medal would be a fitting commemoration of the significance of their lives and, from the vantage point we have 50 years later, of the welcome progress on racial equality that has occurred in Birmingham and our nation as a whole. Despite the violence done against them, the belief of the civil rights movement in nonviolent change helped us to avoid the calamities and endless replaying of bitter grievances across generations that has destroyed the fabric of other societies and countries."

The entire Alabama delegation joined as original cosponsors of H.R. 360 as well as Alabama natives Rep. John Lewis (GA-5) and Sanford Bishop (GA-02).

History of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church Bombing

On September 15, 1963, amid high racial tensions, a bomb detonated in the 16th Street Baptist Church as children were entering the basement on their way to worship. Addie Mae Collins, Caroline Robinson, and Cynthia Wesley, who were all 14, and Denise McNair, 11, were killed. The explosion injured 22 people and left heavy damage to the church itself. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. travelled to Birmingham to deliver the eulogy for the children and the bombing, which shocked Americans across the nation, and became a galvanizing force for the passage of historic civil rights legislation including the Voting Rights Act of 1964.

History of the Congressional Gold Medal

The presentation of a Congressional Gold Medal requires the support of a two-thirds majority of the House and Senate and the signature of the President. The requirements for a Congressional Gold Medal are set in statute by the rules of the Financial Services Committee, where Congressman Bachus serves as Chairman Emeritus and Congresswoman Sewell serves as a member, and by the House.

Individuals and groups in civil rights history who have been Congressional Gold Medal recipients include Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and Coretta Scott King, Dr. Dorothy Height, Rosa Parks, the Little Rock Nine, Jackie Robinson, the Tuskegee Airmen, and the Montford Point Marines.

Congresswoman Sewell and Mayor Bell hold a Press Conference on the 50th Commemoration of the Role of Birmingham in the Civil Rights Movement

January 22, 2013

Washington, DC — Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (D-AL) joined Birmingham Mayor William Bell to hold a press conference on the 50th commemoration of the important role that the city of Birmingham played in the Civil Rights Movement. Congresswoman Sewell announced at the press conference that she and Congressman Spencer Bachus plan to introduce a bill to bestow a Congressional Gold Medal to the four little black girls who were victims of the bombing of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church in 1963.

"I was honored to join Mayor Bell today. We have declared 2013 as the Year of Birmingham to honor the historic events that occurred in our city during 1963. The eyes of the world were focused on Birmingham in 1963 as the bombing of the 16th Street Baptist Church showed the injustices that sparked the Civil Rights Movement. Out of our painful history came a movement that changed this nation and impacted the world. Today we acknowledge our role in history and the great progress Birmingham has made to become the strong, vibrant and diverse city it is today.

I am delighted to announce that my colleague Congressman Spencer Bachus and I plan to ask the United States Congress to bestow its highest civilian honor—the Congressional Gold Medal—to the four little girls who tragically lost their lives during the 16th Street Baptist Church bombing. We believe it is befitting that during the year 2013, that Congress pays tribute to the life and legacy of Addie Mae Collins, Cynthia Wesley, Carole Robertson, and Denise McNair who paid the ultimate sacrifice for this nation's quest for freedom and equality for all. I look forward to introducing this bill and working with Congressman Bachus and the entire Alabama delegation to get this important recognition."

Statement by Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell On the Inauguration of President Barack Obama for His Second Term

January 21, 2013

Washington, DC — Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (D-AL) issued the following statement after the swearing in of the 44th President of the United States, Barack Obama, for his second term:

"Today we celebrate the historic inauguration of Barack Obama to the presidency of the United States for his second term. This momentous occasion represents the commitment of all Americans to continue moving our country forward. Though we have made great strides and significant accomplishments over the last four years, we still have work to do. President Obama and his administration have a vision to bring our country back to economic prominence and we must put partisanship aside and collaborate together on long-term solutions for our Nation's issues.

As we move forward from this day, I look forward to working with my colleagues on both sides of the aisle and this administration as we continue to strengthen our economy and create American jobs.

Statement from Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell In Observance of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day

January 18, 2013

WASHINGTON, DC – Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell (AL-07) released the following statement today in recognition of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day which will be observed on Monday, January 21.

"On this Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, we honor and celebrate a man that united our country through his message of peace, unity and love. As the representative of Alabama's historic civil rights district, I know that Dr. King's selfless sacrifices changed the trajectory of our nation's history. It is befitting that on this day we also celebrate the second inauguration of President Obama. It reminds us that Dr. King's legacy was not just a part of black history, but an integral part to the very fabric of American history.

Dr. King challenged us to embrace our shared humanity through public service, civic engagement and volunteerism. In honor of Dr. King, we should rededicate ourselves to public service this holiday. In times like these, volunteerism and civic engagement connect our communities and reaffirm the strength, humanity and determination of the American people."

Recent Grant Awards

- **January 21, 2013** City of Bessemer will receive \$8.2 million from HUD for public housing to repair and renovate 198 low rent public housing units.
- **December 27, 2012** -- Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell announced that the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is awarding a grant in the amount of \$81,000 to the Bessemer Fire Department through the Assistance to Firefighters Grant program. The grant will be used for fire fighter education and training.
- **December 26, 2012** Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell announced that the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is awarding a grant in the amount of 20,752 to the Midfield Fire and Rescue Service through the Assistance to Firefighters Grant program. The grant will be used for fire fighter education and training.
- **December 19, 2012** Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell Announces \$1.95 Million SAFER Grant Awarded to Birmingham Fire and Rescue
- **December 19, 2012** Whatley Health Services is awarded \$500,000 for the HRSA School Based Health Center Capital Program for Alberta Elementary School in Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

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Section I ACCESSING & REGISTERING FOR GRANT INFORMATION

 A federal grant is an award of financial assistance from a federal agency to a recipient to carry out a public purpose of support or stimulation authorized by a law of the United States. Federal grants are not federal assistance or loans to individuals. A federal grant may not be used to acquire property or services for the federal government's direct benefit. The 26 federal agencies offer over 1,000 grant programs annually in various categories.

Website: http://www07.grants.gov/aboutgrants/grants.jsp

- To learn about Federal grant opportunities, register your organization and receive notices, please visit www.grants.gov. It is the resource for all Federal grants.
- To apply for Federal Grants: http://www.grants.gov/applicants/apply_for_grants.jsp
- To learn about foundation grant opportunities, please visit http://foundationcenter.org/. The Foundation Center is a gateway to information about private funding sources and provides guidelines about how to write a grant proposal. It also provides links to state libraries with grants reference collections, and links to other useful Internet websites.

Section II PROGRAM FUNDING THROUGH FEDERAL AGENCIES

U.S. Department of Commerce

Program: NEW - Environmental Literacy Grants for Building Capacity of

Informal and Formal Educators

Description: The goal of NOAA Environmental Literacy Grants is to build the capacity

of informal educators (including interpreters and docents) and/or formal educators to use NOAA data and data access tools to help K-12 students

and/or the public understand and respond to global change.

Website:

http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=xSj7RQlXj97fmhvdLy6z7ftFrBp1SQVtSP1J5LF5vXyfWypQhJXn!1423013708?oppId=217034&mode=VIEW

U.S. Department of Education

Program: NEW - Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE): Gaining Early

Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs (GEAR UP):

Description: College Savings Account Research Demonstration Project CFDA Number

84.334D Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate

Programs

Website:

http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=z3hmRQvTD3CnwMSwSF178Gkbv9ptxgxTkrzmSMpGsz9LbTM62rW6!1423013708?oppId=217274&mode=VIEW

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Program: NEW - Delta States Rural Development Network Grant Program

Description: The purpose of the Delta States Rural Development Network Grant

Program (Delta) is to fund organizations located in the eight Delta States to address unmet local health care needs and prevalent health disparities in

rural Delta communities.

Website:

http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=xSj7RQlXj97fmhvdLy6z7ftFrBp1SQVtSP1J 5LF5vXyfWypQhJXn!1423013708?oppId=217073&mode=VIEW

Program: NEW - Rural Training Track (RTT) Technical Assistance

Demonstration Program

Description: Rural Health Research Centers - RTTs are family medicine residency

programs with a particular focus on training physicians who will practice

in rural communities.

Website:

http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=xSj7RQlXj97fmhvdLy6z7ftFrBp1SQVtSP1J 5LF5vXyfWypQhJXn!1423013708?oppId=216553&mode=VIEW

Program: NEW - Culturally Appropriate Interventions of Outreach, Access and

Retention among Latino/a Populations – Evaluation and Technical

Assistance Center

Description: The demonstration site projects will design, implement and evaluate

culturally appropriate service delivery models focused on improving

health outcomes among Latinos/as living with HIV disease.

Website:

http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=xSj7RQlXj97fmhvdLy6z7ftFrBp1SQVtSP1J 5LF5vXyfWypQhJXn!1423013708?oppId=217394&mode=VIEW

Program: NEW - Small Rural Hospital Improvement Grant Program (SHIP)

Description: The purpose of the Small Rural Hospital Improvement Grant Program

(SHIP) is to help small rural hospitals of 49 beds or less, and do any or all of the following: 1) enable the purchase of equipment and/or training to help hospitals attain value-based purchasing provision in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA), 2) aid small rural hospitals in joining or becoming accountable care organizations, or create shared savings programs per the ACA, and 3) enable small rural hospitals to purchase health information technology, equipment and/or training to comply with meaningful use, ICD-10 standards, and payment bundling.

Website:

http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=hSLNQ4fC2Sst1xL18JkMkDtKvmCZpH8qy svD05CJ2hGRL1Kvsbm0!-1413871233?oppId=216273&mode=VIEW

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Program: NEW - Comprehensive Housing Counseling Program

Description: This NOFA comes at a critical time when many Americans are facing the

economic challenges associated with loss of employment, reducing debt and reestablishing credit history, the housing challenges associated with natural disasters, the transition from ownership to rental and the need for improved housing conditions.

Website:

http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=xSj7RQlXj97fmhvdLy6z7ftFrBp1SQVtSP1J5LF5vXyfWypQhJXn!1423013708?oppId=217413&mode=VIEW

Program: NEW - Self-Help Homeownership Opportunity Program

Description: SHOP Grant funds are awarded to national and regional non-profit

organizations and consortia to facilitate and encourage innovative

homeownership opportunities.

Website:

http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=xSj7RQlXj97fmhvdLy6z7ftFrBp1SQVtSP1J5LF5vXyfWypQhJXn!1423013708?oppId=217395&mode=VIEW

U.S. Department of Justice

Program: NEW - OVC FY 13 2014 National Crime Victims' Rights Week

Resource Guide

Description: This competitive program will award one cooperative agreement of

\$350,000 to a nonprofit organization, faith- or community-based organization, or public agency to produce a comprehensive kit that will serve as a resource for the victims' field to support efforts to heighten the public's awareness of crime victim issues during National Crime Victims'

Rights Week (NCVRW) in April 2014 and throughout the year.

Website:

http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=xSj7RQlXj97fmhvdLy6z7ftFrBp1SQVtSP1J 5LF5vXyfWypQhJXn!1423013708?oppId=216814&mode=VIEW

Program: NEW - BJA FY 13 Second Chance Act Adult Mentoring and

Transitional Services for Successful Reentry Program

Description: The Second Chance Act of 2007 (Pub. L. 110-199) provides

comprehensive responses to the increasing number of incarcerated adults who are released from prison, jail, and juvenile residential facilities and

returning to communities.

Website:

Program: NEW - SMART FY 13 Support for Adam Walsh Implementation

Grant Program

Description: In summary, SORNA requires: (1) all States, the District of Columbia, the

principal U.S. territories, and participating federally recognized Indian tribes to maintain a sex offender registry; and (2) sex offenders to register and maintain a current registration in each jurisdiction where the offender

resides, is an employee, or is a student.

Website:

Program: NEW - BJA FY 13 Smart Policing Initiative

Description: The Byrne Competitive Program helps local communities improve the

functioning and capacity of state and local criminal justice systems and provides for national support efforts including training and technical assistance programs strategically targeted to address local needs.

Website:

http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=hSLNQ4fC2Sst1xL18JkMkDtKvmCZpH8qy svD05CJ2hGRL1Kvsbm0!-1413871233?oppId=216253&mode=VIEW

Program: NEW - Violent Gang and Gun Crime Reduction Program (Project

Safe Neighborhoods)

Description: Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) is designed to create safer

neighborhoods through a sustained reduction in crime associated with

gang and gun violence, and violent offenders.

Website:

http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=qYy2QvbL811pGGGCyykJdrBMvL8QD492 syzySmjfbTwjzwTVLPT4!1702133586?oppId=214413&mode=VIEW

Program: NEW - BJA FY 13 Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation Program

Description: Grants to develop healthy, vibrant communities that are places to provide

the opportunities, resources, and an environment that children, youth, and adults need to maximize their life outcomes, including high-quality schools and cradle-to-career educational programs; high-quality and affordable housing; thriving commercial establishments; access to quality health care and health services; art and cultural amenities; parks and other

recreational spaces; and the safety to take advantage of these

opportunities. The deadline is March 4, 2013.

Website:

http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=T2T3QlsHpxZc0L8JSNpQ9tQnJQQQYTrL N10WMCdJ9hJccV1vzzFk!1991528615?oppId=213393&mode=VIEW

U.S. Department of Labor

Program: NEW - YouthBuild

Description: YouthBuild is a workforce and community development program that

serves youth ages 16-24. The YouthBuild program uses a dual model combining academic instruction and occupational skills training leading to the completion of a high school diploma or GED. Participants receive an opportunity to gain industry recognized credentials in construction trades

while gaining hands on experience in the construction industry.

Website: Interested applicants can find more information on <u>www.grants.gov</u>.

Section IV PROGRAM FUNDING THROUGH PRIVATE, CORPORATE & COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS

Program: NEW - Impact Fund Offers Support for Litigation to Advance Social

Justice

Description: The Impact Fund provides grants to nonprofit legal firms, private

attorneys, and/or small law firms working to advance social justice in the areas of civil and human rights, environmental justice, and poverty law. The fund provides support for public interest litigation that has the potential to benefit a large number of people, lead to significant law reform, and raise public consciousness of social justice issues.

Website:

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml;jsessionid=ALVTHHFUSJAGJLAQBQ4CGW15AAAACI2F?id=405900011

Program: NEW - Open Society Foundations Invites Applications for Human

Rights Photography Audience Engagement Grants

Description: The Open Society Foundations' Audience Engagement Grant program is

designed to support photographers in taking an existing body of work on a

social justice or human rights issue and devising an innovative and

effective way of using that work as a tool for social change.

Website:

 $\underline{http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml; jsessionid=ALVTHHFUSJAGJLAQBQ4CG}$

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Program: NEW - Lego Children's Fund Seeks Grant Proposals for Youth

Creativity Programs

Description: The Lego Children's Fund is accepting grant proposals for programs

dedicated to inspiring and encouraging youth creativity. The fund supports

programs serving in children from birth to age 14, with priority

consideration for disadvantaged or at-risk youth

Website:

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml;jsessionid=ALVTHHFUSJAGJLAQBQ4CGW15AAAACI2F?id=405900010

Program: NEW - Earth Day Network Seeking Entries for Healthy and

Sustainable School Food Journalism Prize

Description: The <u>Earth Day Network</u> is accepting entries for the 2013 Healthy and

Sustainable School Food Journalism Competition. Sponsored by the Edible Schoolyard Project and the Berkeley Graduate School of Journalism, the competition is designed to bring communities the hard facts about school food in the words of students who eat it themselves.

Website:

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml;jsessionid=ALVTHHFUSJAGJLAQBQ4CGW15AAAACI2F?id=405900009

Section IV INTERNSHIPS/ SCHOLARSHIPS / FELLOWSHIPS/

The Congressional Black Caucus has internship openings for May 26th-July 26th 2013. Interns will work in a fast-paced Congressional office, gaining valuable experience and knowledge of the United States Congress. Interns will gain practical experience while assisting Congressional staff, and have the opportunity to acquire a working knowledge of the day-to-day operations of the Legislative branch. Responsibilities include answering phones, responding to incoming and outgoing mail, addressing constituent concerns, assisting with press and policy issues, and assisting the Legislative/District office staff. These internships are ideal for anyone with a will to learn and all majors are welcome.

The ideal candidate will be friendly, outgoing, motivated, mature, detail-orientated and possess the ability to multi-task. An interest in pursuing a career in public service or government is ideal. Applicants should have a strong academic background and must have a 3.0 GPA or higher. The position is unpaid but college credit can be granted upon completion.

Selection Process

Congressional Interns are selected based on the following criteria:

- Solid scholastic achievement
- Strong writing skills
- Community service contributions

- Evidence of leadership skills
- Quality of application and, in some instances, interview performance

Application Materials

The completed online application must be submitted by midnight on **February 21, 2013**. The additional required materials must be received by our office by the close of business (5 p.m. EST) on the deadline date. The following items will be requested through the online application:

- 1. A completed application form
- 2. Answer the required short essay(s) given on the application
- 3. One (1) page resume listing extracurricular activities, honors, employment, community service and special skills
- 4. Three (3) letters of recommendation. At least one letter of recommendation must be written by a dean, department chair, academic advisor, or employer. Letters must be on official letterhead, state the recommender's title, and provide contact information. Letters of recommendation must be submitted by the deadline for your application to be considered complete. Please follow the instructions found in the application. Hard copy letters sent to the organization as well as e-mails sent to the internship e-mail address will not be accepted.
- 5. A recent photograph suitable for publication; i.e., a cap and gown picture, or other professional quality and professionally dressed photograph

Additional Required Materials

All the above documents should be submitted through the online application. The following document should be mailed to the organization. We must receive this document before the deadline passes:

1. Official sealed transcripts from all institutions attended

Official transcripts should be mailed to the following address:

Congressional Internship Program Congressional Black Caucus Foundation, Inc. 1720 Massachusetts Ave. NW Washington, DC 20036

The selection is highly competitive. Applications are submitted to CBCF and reviewed by a CBCF selection committee. Finalists are selected and notified by CBCF.

Additional Information For more information, please call (202) 263-2800 or send an e-mail to internships@cbcfinc.org

Alabama's Scholarship and Grant Programs

Website: http://www.collegescholarships.org/states/alabama.htm

HBCU Scholarship Directory

Website: http://hbcuconnect.com/scholarships/

Scholarship Experts Website: http://scholarshipexperts.com

Fast Web Website: http://www.fastweb.com/

Get Help Paying for College with Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

Website: http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/

Section V RESOURCES

Free Tax Return Preparation for You by Volunteers

Website:

http://www.irs.gov/Individuals/Free-Tax-Return-Preparation-for-You-by-Volunteers

Zip Code Locator for Free Tax Preparation

Website:

http://irs.treasury.gov/freetaxprep/jsp/vita.jsp?zip=36701&lat=32.4800392&lng=87.04243930000001&radius=5

Financial Literacy

Website:

Alabama Society of CPA's

http://www.ascpa.org/Content/AboutUs/FinancialLiteracy.aspx

Alabama Jump\$tart Coalition

Website:

http://www.alabamaffa.org/Forms_Applications/Resources%20for%20Teaching%20Financial%20Literacy.pdf

Website:

http://www.jumpstart.org/states-alabama.html

FARMERS REMINDED TO UTILIZE 2013 CROP PROGRAM EXTENSIONS

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Farm Service Agency (FSA) reminds producers to utilize commodity, disaster and conservation programs extended by the reauthorization of the 2008 farm bill. Extended programs include the Direct and Counter-Cyclical Payment Program (DCP);

the Average Crop Revenue Election Program (ACRE); and the Milk Income Loss Contract Program (MILC).

Website: http://www.alfafarmers.org/headlines/headline.phtml?id=6383

Guide to Rural Development Funding - The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) this month announced the publication of a guide outlining programs the federal government has available to support rural communities as they promote economic development and enhance the quality of life for rural residents.

Website: http://fundbook.org/new-guide-to-rural-development-funding/

The Fund Book – These are open grants programs which are of interest to local governments **Website:** http://fundbook.org/

ALABAMA COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCIES

Alabama Council on Human Relations

Serving: Lee County 319 West Glenn P.O. Box 409 Auburn, AL 36831-0409

Phone: (334) 821-8336

Chambers-Tallapoosa-Coosa Community Action Committee

Serving: Coosa, Tallapoosa & Chambers Counties

170 South Broadnax Street Dadeville, AL 36853 Phone: 256-825-4287

Community Action Agency of South Alabama

Serving: Marengo, Wilcox, Clarke, Monroe, Conecuh. Escambia, & Baldwin Counties

26440 North Pollard Road

Daphne, AL 36526 Phone: 251-626-2646

Community Action Agency of Huntsville/Madison & Limestone Counties

Serving: Huntsville, Limestone Counties

3516 Stringfield Road

P.O. Box 3975

Huntsville, AL 35810 Phone: 256-851-9800

Community Action Agency of Northeast Alabama

Serving: Jackson, Marshall, Dekalb, Cherokee, Blount, & St. Clair Counties

1481 McMurdy Avenue South

P.O. Box 1487

Rainsville, AL 35986 Phone: 256-638-4430

Community Action Agency of Northwest Alabama

Serving: Lauderdale, Colbert & Franklin Counties

745 Thompson Street Florence, AL 35630 Phone: 256-766-4330

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659 Gallatin Street Huntsville, AL 35801 Phone: 256-564-7430

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